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**MISSION'S 6th ANNUAL
ARTS & EATS FESTIVAL**

Sponsored by **Keystone Nissan**



and

**BBQ/BATTLE OF THE BRISKET
STATE CHAMPIONSHIP**

Sponsored by **AT&T**



Friday, September 18th & Saturday, September 19th

10 ways to involve you/your company

- Sponsor a Shawnee Mission North Youth Band for only \$300.00. Your sponsorship goes directly to Shawnee Mission North while enabling our youth to showcase their talent.
- Advertise your business to our BBQ contestants by donating 60 items for their "goody bags".
- Be the proud sponsor of the "pork" category for only \$500.00. This entitles you to lots of free advertising and presenting the plaque to the winner - **sold to Mission Square Senior Living.**
- Volunteer to paint a chair – the auctioned price will go to the charity of your choice
- Donate chairs to be painted
- Ask everyone in your office to buy a new pair of shoes for our World's Largest foot painting event – these shoes will be sent to the homeless/needly.
- Volunteer your time/talents. A lot of hard work goes into hosting these events and we are in need of lots of strong bodies.
- Tell your BBQ friends about the event – encourage them to enter our contest
- We are looking for vendors who would like to showcase their wares in a number of categories including ceramics, art, glass, jewelry, mixed media, photography, and more.
- Call Suzie, 913-671-8564, for fliers to distribute to your co-workers/friends

Thanks to the following sponsors who are generously supporting 2009's Arts & Eats:

AT&T	Keith & Wilson, DDS	Black & Veatch Corporation
Keystone Nissan	Casey's Auto Repair	Credit Union of Johnson County
Transystems Corporation	Donna Patton, CLU, ChFC - Principal Financial Group	Quik Trip Corporation–BBQ goody bags
Mission Pet Mart	Mission Square Senior Living	Kansas Sampler–BBQ goody bags
Kansas Gas Service	Art Glass Productions	<i>This could be you . . .</i>

How would you like to offer your support? **Give Suzie a call, 913-671-8564 to get your company involved in a great event.**

CHAIRS & MORE CHAIRS

We are still looking for chairs to paint. We need old wooden chairs, new chairs, rocking chairs, kid's chairs, and repairable (not too broken) chairs for the youth and artists of our community to paint. These chairs will be auctioned off and the money donated to the schools/charity of the artist's choice. Thanks to ScriptPro, residents and dumpster divers, we have over 40 chairs, but we still need more.

Mack Hardware has supplied us with some paint – but we still need more, so if you are interested in painting a chair(s), give us a call. What a great way to get involved and show off your artistic talents. We even pick up and deliver!

SHOES & MORE SHOES

Start looking for shoe bargains! In conjunction with our “Largest Painting Made with Footprints” we will be collecting shoes for Samaritan's Feet. Or if you would rather donate money for this great cause, we will provide containers throughout Mission for your donations which will pay for the cost of shipping the shoes. Since we all know we have homeless/ needy people in this area, any shoes that are gently worn will be distributed to them. More information will be forthcoming in the September MCVB Newsletter or you may **contact Suzie, 913-671-8564.**



MCVB SHAWNEE MISSION NORTH INTERN

Welcome to Anne Marie Fleming, an incoming senior at Shawnee Mission North High School, who will be joining us as our intern for the next year. Maintaining a 4.4 grade point average, she is involved in HOSA, will be senior class vice-president and is in Club 121, National Honors Society and the Bio-med Program at North. Anne Marie wants to work in the health field, hopefully with kids and become either a nurse or a pediatrician.

And a big thanks to Nicole White, who just completed her senior year with us and is headed to K.U. If you have ever attended the Holiday Lights, you will notice that all of the children's activities are planned and carried out by our SM North intern and her class mates. They are so full of energy and have such fun ideas.

SPIRIT OF MISSION DAYS

What a wonderful, fun week-end with perfect weather, lots of fun loving kids, yummy food purveyors, Shawnee Mission North bands, a parade honoring Casey Brothers Sinclair and great vendors. Plus - we didn't see a frown all week-end! Even a bride and groom spent a few minutes on their wedding night riding the Ferris Wheel dressed in their bridal finery. The event was a huge success! Thanks to all of you who participated or just came to watch everyone enjoying themselves; we appreciate your support of Mission.

A very big thanks to our sponsors for their support: **Casey's Auto Repair, Casey Brothers Sinclair, Credit Union of Johnson County, Kansas City Power & Light, Keystone Nissan, Lathrop & Gage LLP, Shawnee Mission Medical Center, and Transystems Corporation.** And to **Trinity Lutheran Church and Rushton PTA** – thanks for bringing your community fairs to SOM Days. What a great partnership.

MISSION BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT GRANT PROGRAM

The City is now accepting applications for the 2009 Mission Business Improvement Grant (BIG) program. The goal of the BIG is to support local businesses through funding for repairs or improvements. In the past this has been limited to exterior work. In 2009 this has been expanded to include qualified energy efficiency improvements as well. Since its start in 2004, the Mission BIG has awarded over \$215,000 to benefit more than 70 local businesses. These grants have leveraged over \$600,000 in total investment in the community.

The grant program is available to owners of business property located within commercial, industrial, main street, mixed-use, or business park district zoning in the City of Mission, Kansas. It provides a 50% re-imbusement of eligible expenses to property owners, up to \$10,000 per project, \$2,000 per sign or \$25,000 per property over the life of the program.

Interested business property owners can download information about the BIG from the City's web site or **contact Danielle Murray at dmurray@missionks.org or (913) 676-8363 to inquire about submission requirements.**



ARTIST KAR WOO

Have you had an opportunity to view the traveling art exhibit “Be the Change” by local Kansas City artist, Kar Woo located adjacent to the Bank of America at Shawnee Mission Pkwy & Roeland Drive? Woo leads the 501c3 group, Artists Helping the Homeless, a local nonprofit that raises money through art to assist individuals who need a new start while bringing attention to hunger and homelessness issues.

Mission is proud to display this message and put in place many programs which also embody the spirit of “Be the Change”. One of these programs is our community garden, Lamar & Foxridge Drive, which uses local volunteers to help grow food and give it to those who are less fortunate.. If you would like to learn more about Woo's “Be the Change”, **please visit www.artistshelpingthehomeless.org, or contact Josh Rauch for more information on the community garden at 913-676-8368.**

MISSION CONVENTION AND VISITORS BUREAU

The MCVB meets the fourth Tuesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. at the Sylvester Powell, Jr., Community Center. We are always looking for residents/employees to join us or if you just have an idea you would like to bounce off of us, please come or give Suzie a call. We welcome you input.

Lynn Kring has established a great web site—www.missioncvb.org. Please share this with your friends so they can participate in Mission's events